

## **SECTION 58: FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The Fire Department shall consist of a Chief of the Fire Department and such other officers, members and employees as the Council may from time to time prescribe by ordinance.

The Chief of the Fire Department shall be appointed by the City Manager and the appointment shall be confirmed by a majority of the Council, provided, however, that the Chief of the Fire Department may be removed by the City Manager at any time in the manner provided for in Section 30 of Article V of this Charter. The Chief of the Fire Department shall have all power and authority necessary for the operation and control of the Fire Department and the protection of the lives and property of the people of the City from fire.

The Chief of the Fire Department, with the approval of the City Manager, shall direct and supervise the personnel. Members of the Fire Department shall be subject to all the Civil Service provisions of this Charter contained in Article VIII. This section shall not become effective until July 1, 1974.

*(Amendment voted 11-06-1956; effective 01-10-1957.)*

*(Amendment voted 09-17-1963; effective 02-11-1964.)*

*(Amendment voted 11-06-1973; effective 12-07-1973.)*

*(Section 58 is modified by contrary language in section 265(b) effective 01-01-2006.)*